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An open internet that has paved the way for innovation, and allowing a closed down network where ISPs phone companies control access and decide which websites, content or applications succeed is a dangerous path without any corresponding benefit.

Companies like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon would be able to decide who is heard and who isn't. They'd be able to block websites or content they don't like or applications that compete with their own content. These companies already possess a monopoly on access pricing and they are not well run or consumer oriented. Without Net Neutrality, how would next disruptive technology, business or company emerge if ISPs only let incumbents succeed and stifled good old American competition?